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**EXTENSION REQUEST – REPORT BACK TO BOARD ON COMMUNITY CHOICE  
AGGREGATION: FEBRUARY 1, 2016 STATUS REPORT TO THE BOARD  
(ITEM 6, AGENDA OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2015)**

On September 15, 2015, your Board instructed the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and the Director of Internal Services Department (ISD) to:

1. Utilize \$300,000 in funds, from ISD Fiscal Year 2015-2016 budget, to engage with a Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) consultant through ISD Energy Support Services Master Agreement in order to conduct a preliminary technical analysis on the feasibility of establishing a CCA program for the County's unincorporated areas;
2. Submit a written report to the Board, by February 1, 2016, that includes:
  - a. A preliminary technical analysis of the feasibility of establishing a CCA in the County's unincorporated areas including the costs (start-up, short-term and long-term), benefits, and risks to the County;
  - b. An analysis of the financial viability of a local CCA, including an assessment of: 1) energy supplies required for all customer classes (residential, commercial, industrial users), and; 2) the availability of green energy supplies;
  - c. A preliminary analysis that compares end-user monthly rates across rate classes and levels of green energy desired between a CCA and Southern California Edison (SCE), our local investor owned utility; and

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- d. Key decision points, next steps, and issues that the Board of Supervisors must consider before making a decision to move forward with the formation of a Los Angeles County CCA, including options for financing start-up and initial operational costs, a proposed governance structure, potential green energy and rate tiers, and planning implementation and rollout timelines.
3. Delegate authority to the CEO or the Director of ISD, or their respective designees, to execute agreements and documents in standard forms pre-approved by the California Public Utilities Commission and/or SCE, for the purposes of acquiring, utilizing, storing, and protecting the confidentiality of energy consumption data needed to perform the CCA technical analyses.
4. Instruct the CEO and the Director of ISD to create, lead, and convene regular meetings of a new CCA Implementation Workgroup comprised of County representatives, representatives of other jurisdictions that have shown interest in joining a County CCA program, representatives of organized labor, and other stakeholders, in order to:
  - a. Assess the feasibility of other jurisdictions joining a County CCA program;
  - b. Provide information and guidance to other jurisdictions on the potential timeline and necessary steps to join a County CCA; and
  - c. Determine if a County CCA can advance workforce training and hiring objectives that align with County goals.
5. Provide bi-monthly reports to the Board on the status of the preliminary technical analysis and the deliberations of the Task Force until the Final CCA Technical Analysis Report is submitted to the Board.

ISD has engaged a CCA technical consultant, EES Consulting, and the preliminary technical analysis is under way.

For items 2a through 2d, we are requesting an extension until May 1, 2016.

EES Consulting has not completed the above analyses which requires detailed energy consumption modeling of SCE rate classifications in all cities in the County that receive service from SCE (83 cities). The approval to collect this data was only approved by SCE in November 2015, and this data, because of its magnitude, was promised to the County between mid-December 2015 and early February 2016. To date, EES Consulting has received approximately 75% of that data from SCE. EES Consulting

has indicated it will need about three months to develop the analyses listed above upon receipt of the complete data request. Therefore, we are requesting an extension until May 1, 2016, to provide a Board report with the results of those analyses.

Until then, ISD will continue to provide bi-monthly reports to the Board on the status of the preliminary technical analysis and the deliberations of the Task Force until the Final CCA Technical Analysis Report is submitted to the Board.

The first bi-monthly report was submitted to your Board on November 24, 2015. The second bi-monthly report is anticipated to be sent by February 1, 2016.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact Jim Jones at (213) 974-1104, or Dave Chittenden of ISD at (323) 267-2103.

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